

# National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education and Economics (NAREEE) Advisory Board

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## **DRAFT AGENDA FALL 2011 – BOARD MEETING**

**Monday, November 7, 2011 to Wednesday, November 9, 2011**

**Meeting Location:** Mandarin Oriental, 1330 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20024

*(All NAREEE Advisory Board Members are welcome. All meetings are open to the public.)*

**Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**

***Oriental Ballroom C***

### ***New Member Orientation***

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| 1:00 p.m. – 1:10 p.m. | <b>Welcome and Introduction of New Members and Other Attendees</b><br>Jean-Mari Peltier, <i>NAREEE Chair</i> |
| 1:10 p.m. – 1:25 p.m. | <b>Opening Remarks</b><br>Dr. Catherine Woteki, <i>Under Secretary for USDA REE / USDA Chief Scientist</i>   |
| 1:25 p.m. – 1:40 p.m. | <b>Questions and Discussions</b>   |

### **PART I: Core Operations of the USDA – Research, Education, and Economics**

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| 1:40 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. | <b>Agricultural Research Service (ARS)</b><br>Dr. Edward Knipping, <i>ARS Administrator</i>                        |
| 2:00 p.m. – 2:20 p.m. | <b>Questions and Discussions</b>   |
| 2:20 p.m. – 2:40 p.m. | <b>National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)</b><br>Dr. Chavonda Jacobs-Young, <i>NIFA Acting Director</i> |
| 2:40 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | <b>Questions and Discussions</b>   |
| 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. | <b>Break</b>   |
| 3:30 p.m. – 3:50 p.m. | <b>Economic Research Service (ERS)</b><br>Dr. Mary Bohman, <i>ERS Acting Administrator</i>                         |
| 3:50 p.m. – 4:10 p.m. | <b>Questions and Discussions</b>   |
| 4:10 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. | <b>National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS)</b><br>Dr. Cynthia Clark, <i>NASS Administrator</i>             |
| 4:30 p.m. – 4:50 p.m. | <b>Questions and Discussions</b>   |

## **PART II: Update on the Activities of the National Agricultural Library**

4:50 p.m. – 5:10 p.m.	<b>National Agricultural Library</b> Dr. Simon Liu, <i>Director, National Agricultural Library</i>
5:10 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<b>Questions and Discussions</b>
5:30 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.	<b>Public Comments</b>
5:45 pm	<b>Meeting Adjourned for the Day</b>

**Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>**

***Oriental Ballroom C***

### ***Full Board Meeting***

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	<b>Buffet Breakfast</b> ( <i>For members, speakers, and panelists</i> )
8:00 a.m. – 8:05 a.m.	<b>Welcoming Remarks</b> Jean-Mari Peltier, <i>NAREEE Chair</i>
8:05 am – 9:00 a.m.	<b>Board Business</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Brief Member Introductions</li><li>▪ Approval of March 2011 NAREEE Meeting Minutes, and Review of NAREEE Committee Meeting minutes</li><li>▪ Approval of November 8-9, 2011 Meeting Agenda</li><li>▪ Overview of Procedures for the Election of the NAREEE Chair, Vice-Chair, and Executive Committee Members</li><li>▪ Committee Reports:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Renewable Energy Committee – <i>Carol Keiser-Long</i></li><li>○ Specialty Crops Committee – <i>Dr. Walter Armbruster</i></li><li>○ Competitive Grants Sub-Committee – <i>Dr. June Henton</i></li></ul></li></ul>
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	<b>Welcoming Remarks</b> The Honorable Tom Vilsack, <i>Secretary of Agriculture</i>

## **PART I: A Discussion on the Impact of NASS reports on Grain Market Volatility**

9:30 a.m. – 9:35 a.m.	<b>Topic Introduction</b> Terry Wolf, <i>Owner, Wolf Farms &amp; Wolf Grain Systems Inc.</i>
9:35 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.	<b>Introduction to NASS Commodity Reports</b> Joseph J. Prusacki, <i>Director, NASS-Statistics Division</i>  <b>Advisory Committee on Agricultural Statistics Perspective</b> Doris E. Mold, <i>Chair, ACAS</i>
9:55 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	<b>Questions and Discussions</b>
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	<b>Break</b>
10:45 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.	<b>Panel 1</b>

Mike Mock, *Senior Risk Management Consultant, The Andersons Inc.*

Dave Lyons, *Vice President for Government Relations, Louis Dreyfus Corp.*

11:05 a.m. – 11:25 a.m.

**Questions and Discussions**

11:25 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

**Panel 2**

Dr. Harry Vroomen, *Vice President – Economic Services, The Fertilizer Institute*

Marv Wilson, *Ag Biotech Operations Director, Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.*

11:45 a.m. – 12:05 a.m.

**Questions and Discussions**

12:05 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Lunch Buffet** (*For members, speakers, and panelists*)

**PART II: REE Components of the Farm Bill, and the Strategic Approach of the USDA to the Farm Bill**

1:00 p.m. – 1:05 p.m.

**Topic Introduction**

Jean Mari Peltier, *NAREEE Chair*

1:05 p.m. - 1:25 p.m.

**Panel 1: Congressional Perspectives**

Dr. John Goldberg, *Senior Professional Staff, U.S. House of Representatives – Committee on Agriculture*

Karla Thieman, *Professional Staff, U.S. Senate – Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Tentative)*

1:25 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

**Questions and Discussions**

1:45 p.m. – 2:05 p.m.

**Panel 2: USDA and APLU Perspectives**

Krysta Harden, *Chief of Staff, USDA (Tentative)*

Vernie Hubert, *Cornerstone Government Affairs / APLU*

2:05 p.m. – 2:25 p.m.

**Questions and Discussions**

2:25 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

**Panel 3: Related Stakeholder Perspectives**

Scott Faber, *Vice President for Federal Affairs, Grocery Manufacturers Association*

Jim Wiesemeyer, *Washington Consultant, Pro Farmer*

2:45 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.

**Questions and Discussions**

3:05 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Break**

3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

**Board Discussion**

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| 4:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. | <b>Public Comments</b>  |
| 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. | <b>Break</b>  |
| 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. | <b>Evening Reception Begins:</b> Light Hors d'oeuvre <i>Garden /</i><br><i>(For members, speakers, and panelists)</i> |

- Nominations for the NAREEE Chair, and Vice-Chair
- Election of the NAREEE Chair and Vice-Chair
- Nominations for the Executive Committee
- Election of the Executive Committee

Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> *Oriental Ballroom C*

- Continue Discussion from the November 8, 2011 Meeting: REE Components of the Farm Bill, and a Discussion on the Impact of NASS Reports on Grain Market Volatility

11:40 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Travel Reimbursement Procedures**  
Shirley Morgan-Jordan, *Program Support Coordinator*

11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.      **Public Comments**

12:00 p.m.                      **Meeting Adjourns**